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HORSESHOE POND

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HORSESHOE POND

T11R10, Aroostook County
U.S.G.S. Fifth Musquacook Lake and
Mooseleuk Lake, Me (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout

Minnows
Redbelly dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 31 acres
Maximum depth - 32 feet
Mean depth - 14 feet

Temperatures:
Surface - 62°F
30 feet - 47°F

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Horseshoe Pond lies at an elevation of 1,530 feet above sea level near the top of Rocky Brook Mountain. The pond likely had no fish prior to an unauthorized introduction of a small number of brook trout prior to 1956. Since the 1950s the Pond has supported a good trout fishery.

Horseshoe Pond has excellent habitat for brook trout. The deep, cold waters contain abundant dissolved oxygen throughout the summer. Natural reproduction is adequate to support a population of trout. No stocking is necessary.

Horseshoe Pond is managed with conservative fishery regulations to avoid over-harvest, minimize hooking mortality of released trout, and minimize the risk of introducing other species of fish.

The trailhead to the Pond can be reached via gravel roads maintained for timber management purposes. Access is presently a carry-in over an old jeep trail.

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